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Part One: Chapters One and Two

## Comprehension Check

***Directions:*** *To help you understand all aspects of the novel, answer the following questions for Chapters One* – *Two. Write your answers on a separate piece of paper using complete sentences.*

**Chapter 1**

1. Where is Katniss going this morning?
2. What kind of place is District 12?
3. What is the reaping?
4. What are the Hunger Games and how did they come about?
5. Theorize how the tessera is another type of punishment.
6. Analyze why Katniss is confused when Gale says they could run away and live in the woods.
7. Predict what Katniss will do when she hears Prim’s name called at the end of the chapter. Explain your answer.
8. Based on what you know so far, draw a conclusion as to what kind of government runs Panem. Explain how you came to your conclusion.
9. Look up the word “seam” in the dictionary. Look for the geological meaning of the word. Based on what you discover, why is this an appropriate name for the area?

**Chapter 2**

1. What does Katniss do in response to Prim’s name being drawn?
2. Why does Katniss insist that she not cry or respond emotionally?
3. How is television an important factor in the reaping?
4. Infer what the reaction of the crowd means when Katniss volunteers to take Prim’s place. Explain your answer.
5. What is Katniss’ connection to Peeta Mellark?
6. Formulate a theory about the bread incident and Peeta’s behavior toward Katniss on the stage. Why do you think he behaved as he did? What might Peeta’s behavior tell you about him?
7. How was the bread incident a turning point for Katniss?
8. Explain the importance now of Katniss feeling like she owes Peeta something as they plan to compete in the Games.

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Part One: Chapters Three – Four

## Comprehension Check

***Directions:*** *To help you understand all aspects of the novel, answer the following questions for Chapters Three-Four. Write your answers on a separate piece of paper using complete sentences.*

**Chapter 3**

1. Who are the guests that come to say goodbye when Katniss goes to the Justice Building?
2. What does Katniss fear is going to happen to her mother?
3. What gifts does she receive?
4. Why is Katniss so concerned that she must not cry?
5. Explain why Effie Trinket’s comment, “At least, you two have decent manners”

(44) offends Katniss. How does she respond?

1. What does the term “mentor” mean? Explain why a mentor is important in the arena.
2. Imagine what a sponsor might do for a tribute in the arena.
3. Predict some problems Katniss and Peeta might have with their mentor Haymitch.

**Chapter 4**

1. Why does Peeta’s offer to clean up Haymitch change the way Katniss feels about Peeta? What does she plan to do?
2. How did seeing the dandelion in the schoolyard set off a chain reaction that saved the Everdeen family?
3. What do Katniss and Peeta do that surprises Haymitch?
4. Explain why Haymitch’s decision to help them is a big step.
5. Do you agree with Katniss’s evaluation of Peeta’s behavior as the train pulls into the Capitol?
6. What inferences can you already make about the differences Katniss will see between the Capitol and District 12? Explain your answer.

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Part One: Chapters Five – Six

## Comprehension Check

***Directions:*** *To help you understand all aspects of the novel, answer the following questions for Chapters Five – Six. Write your answers on a separate piece of paper using complete sentences.*

**Chapter 5**

1. What is the purpose of the Remake Center?
2. What are some of Katniss’s worries about what she’ll be wearing for the opening ceremonies?
3. Why is the costume so important?
4. Contrast Cinna to Flavius and Octavia. How is he different from them?
5. What is the reaction of the crowd to Peeta and Katniss?
6. What does Katniss mean at the end of the chapter when she says, “two can play at this game”? Why does she kiss Peeta?
7. Do you agree with Katniss’s interpretation of Peeta’s words? Why or why not?

**Chapter 6**

1. Why is the roof of the Training Center a safe place for Peeta and Katniss to talk?
2. Contrast the Training Center to Katniss’s home in District 12.
3. What kind of person is Effie Trinket?
4. What is an Avox?
5. How does Katniss know the Avox?
6. Why do you think Peeta helped Katniss at dinner by saying the Avox reminded him of Delly Cartwright?
7. Explain Katniss’s feelings about the redheaded Avox.

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Part One: Chapters Seven – Nine

## Comprehension Check

***Directions:*** *To help you understand all aspects of the novel, answer the following questions for Chapters Seven* – *Nine. Write your answers on a separate piece of paper using complete sentences.*

**Chapter 7**

1. What is the training and how does it end?
2. What does Haymitch tell Katniss and Peeta to do during the training?
3. What do you think Peeta meant when he said of Katniss, “She has no idea. The effect she can have”?
4. Why is Peeta good at camouflage?
5. What problem does Katniss face when it’s her turn to perform for the Gamemakers?
6. Do you think Katniss’s actions toward the Gamemakers were a good idea? Why or why not?

**Chapter 8**

1. Why is the Gamemakers’ score on Katniss’s performance important?
2. What is Haymitch’s reaction to Katniss’s behavior toward the Gamemakers?
3. What is surprising about Katniss’s score?
4. Now that the training is complete, what is the next event?
5. Contrast Katniss’s relationship with Peeta and her relationship with Gale. How are they different?
6. Compare Katniss’s relationship with Peeta and her relationship with Gale. How are they similar? Explain your answer.
7. What might Peeta’s motivation be for asking to be coached separately from Katniss?

**Chapter 9**

1. What problem does Katniss have with her training with Effie?
2. What problem does she have with training with Haymitch?
3. What is Katniss’s response to the negative day with both Effie and Haymitch?
4. What strategy does Katniss eventually use during the interview? Does it work for her?
5. How does Katniss’s personality differ from usual during her interviews?
6. What does Peeta reveal in his interview?
7. What evidence do you have so far in the novel that would verify what Peeta says is true?
8. What evidence do you have so far in the novel that would verify that Peeta is lying?

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Part Two: Chapter Ten

## Comprehension Check

***Directions:*** *To help you understand all aspects of the novel, answer the following questions for Chapter Ten. Write your answers on a separate piece of paper using complete sentences.*

1. Why is Katniss upset by Peeta’s proclamation of love?
2. Why does Haymitch think Peeta’s proclamation is good for Katniss?
3. What is Haymitch’s last piece of advice to Peeta and Katniss?
4. On the rooftop, Peeta and Katniss talk. How are their attitudes toward the arena different? Explain how they differ in what they expect to happen.
5. Can you relate to Katniss’s inability to sleep the night before the Games? When was a time you were anxious about something and couldn’t sleep? How was your experience similar to Katniss’s? How was your experience different?
6. What is the tracker?
7. How does the Capitol treat the arena after the Games are over? What does that tell you about the Capitol?
8. What is Katniss’s token?
9. What can you infer about the token the girl from District One wanted to take into the arena?
10. Can you relate to Katniss’s anxiety as she waits to enter the arena? Explain your answer.

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Part Two: Chapters Eleven – Twelve

## Comprehension Check Questions

***Directions:*** *To help you understand all aspects of the novel, answer the following questions for Chapters Eleven* – *Twelve. Write your answers on a separate piece of paper using complete sentences.*

**Chapter 11**

1. What is the Cornucopia? How is it set up, and what does Katniss see as she looks at it?
2. Explain the conflict Katniss feels while she waits for the sixty seconds to end.
3. Briefly list the events that occur after the gong rings.
4. How does Katniss find out who has been killed on the first day? How many die on the first day?
5. Why is Katniss surprised at the end of the chapter?
6. Predict how the arena will help Katniss survive.

**Chapter 12**

1. What is Katniss’s primary goal in this chapter?
2. Analyze the relationship between Peeta and the Careers.
3. Do you agree with Katniss’s interpretation of Peeta’s choice in joining the Careers?
4. Do you agree with Katniss’s belief about why Haymitch doesn’t send her water?
5. What is Katniss’s new problem at the end of the chapter?
6. What judgment can you make about Katniss from the following quote:

*“So as I slide out of the foliage and into the dawn light, I pause a second, giving the cameras time to lock on me. Then I cock my head slightly to the side and give a knowing smile” (164).*

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Part Two: Chapters Thirteen – Fourteen

## Comprehension Check

***Directions:*** *To help you understand all aspects of the novel, answer the following questions for Chapters Thirteen – Fourteen. Write your answers on a separate piece of paper using complete sentences.*

**Chapter 13**

1. List the events that occur in the fire.
2. What are Katniss’s injuries as a result of the fire?
3. Describe what happens when Katniss climbs the tree.
4. What new problem does Katniss have now that she’s safe in the tree?
5. Draw a conclusion about the audience of the Hunger Games and the Gamemakers’

use of a wall of fire. What does the fire tell you about the audience?

1. What prediction can you make about Rue and why she helps Katniss?

**Chapter 14**

1. Explain why the tracker jackers are dangerous.
2. Identify facts from Chapters 13 and 14 that show Katniss is a brave person.
3. Analyze Peeta’s behavior at the end of Chapter 14. Why do you think he acts

the way he does?

1. Formulate a theory about why the sponsors decided to send Katniss a silver

parachute when they did. Why didn’t they help her sooner? What did she do to

prove she deserved their help?

1. Besides the balm, what other gift would be beneficial to Katniss at this point in the story?
2. Predict what will happen to Katniss now that the tracker jackers have stung her.
3. Evaluate Katniss’s plan to cut down the nest. Was it a good plan even though she

endangered herself?

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Part Two: Chapters Fifteen – Sixteen

## Comprehension Check

***Directions:*** *To help you understand all aspects of the novel, answer the following questions for Chapters Fifteen* – *Sixteen. Write your answers on a separate piece of paper using complete sentences.*

**Chapter 15**

1. How did Katniss and Rue become allies?
2. Identify important information Rue was able to provide to Katniss.
3. What skills and knowledge does Rue provide to the alliance?
4. Explain what Katniss discovers about Peeta.
5. Analyze why Katniss thinks Haymitch wouldn’t approve of her alliance with Rue.
6. Predict how the glasses will be important to Katniss and Rue.
7. Explain why Katniss thinks it’s important to destroy the Careers’ supplies.

**Chapter 16**

1. Describe the way Katniss plans to destroy the Careers’ food supply.
2. How are the mockingjays important to the girls’ plan?
3. What does Katniss realize about the Careers’ decision to allow the boy from

District 3 to live?

1. At this point, who is the biggest threat to Katniss and why?
2. What new information does Katniss learn about Peeta?
3. Describe the Foxface girl and what she is able to do.
4. Do you agree with Katniss’s decision to go on the offensive and attack the

Careers? Explain your answer.

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Part Two: Chapters Seventeen – Eighteen

## Comprehension Check

***Directions:*** *To help you understand all aspects of the novel, answer the following questions for Chapters Seventeen* – *Eighteen. Write your answers on a separate piece of paper using complete sentences.*

*Update your Character Map from Chapters15 –16 with any new information about the tributes.*

**Chapter 17**

1. Explain what happens to the Careers’ supply pyramid.
2. Describe the consequences of the explosion for Katniss.
3. What happens to Rue at the end of the chapter?
4. Analyze what Cato’s reaction to the explosion says about him.
5. Explain what Katniss means when she thinks “*Let the Seventy-fourth Hunger Games*

*begin, Cato…Let them begin for real.”*

**Chapter 18**

1. Restate how Katniss allows Rue to die with dignity.
2. How are the rules of the Games suddenly changed?
3. Identify Katniss’s actions that show she is deeply upset about Rue’s death.
4. Hypothesize why the rules of the Games are changed to allow for two winners.
5. Identify what the people from District 11 give Katniss. Evaluate why they do this.
6. Why do you think Katniss calls out Peeta’s name when she hears the new rule?

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Part Three: Chapters Nineteen – Twenty

## Comprehension Check

***Directions:*** *To help you understand all aspects of the novel, answer the following questions for Chapters Nineteen* – *Twenty. Write your answers on a separate piece of paper using complete sentences.*

*Update your Character Map from Chapters 15 –16 with any new information about the tributes.*

**Chapter 19**

1. Where does Katniss find Peeta. How did he avoid being found by the other tributes?
2. What is Peeta’s condition when Katniss finds him?
3. Why is it surprising that Katniss is squeamish about Peeta’s wounds and caring for him?
4. What is Katniss’s motivation to find Peeta and keep him alive?
5. What is the relationship between Katniss kissing Peeta and the silver parachute?

**Chapter 20**

1. What does Katniss expect to find at the feast?
2. How does Katniss make sure she’s able to go to the feast?
3. What will happen if Peeta doesn’t get medicine?
4. Why is the day Katniss got the goat for Prim a happy memory?
5. Why do you think the sponsors didn’t just send medicine for Peeta?
6. Do you agree with Katniss’s actions toward Peeta? Why or why not?

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Part Three: Chapters Twenty-One – Twenty-Two

## Comprehension Check

***Directions:*** *To help you understand all aspects of the novel, answer the following questions for Chapters Twenty-One* **–** *Twenty-Two. Write your answers on a separate piece of paper using complete sentences.*

*Update your Character Map from Chapters15 –16 with any new information about the tributes.*

**Chapter 21**

1. List the events that took place at the feast.
2. Why might a tribute take someone else’s backpack?
3. Why doesn’t Thresh kill Katniss?
4. Why does Katniss think Cato will chase after Thresh instead of her?
5. What is in the backpack for District 12? Is it helpful?
6. What facts might Katniss use to justify why it was a good idea to go to the feast?

**Chapter 22**

1. How do Katniss and Peeta manage to receive a silver parachute full of lamb stew?
2. What conclusions can you draw about Thresh’s behavior toward Katniss?
3. How does the weather affect the way Katniss and Peeta interact?
4. Explain what Katniss means in the following quote:

*“I wish I could pull the shutters closed, blocking out this moment from the prying eyes of Panem. Even if it means losing food.*

*Whatever I’m feeling, it’s no one’s business but mine” (298).*

1. Do you agree with Katniss’s thoughts about her feelings? Explain your answer.
2. Now that Peeta is feeling better, construct a list of things Peeta and Katniss must do next. Beyond the obvious, win the Games, what else must they do?

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Part Three: Chapters Twenty-Three – Twenty-Four

## Comprehension Check

***Directions:*** *To help you understand all aspects of the novel, answer the following questions for Chapters Twenty-Three* **–** *Twenty-Four. Write your answers on a separate piece of paper using complete sentences.*

*Update your Character Map from Chapters15 –16 with any new information about the tributes.*

**Chapter 23**

1. What problem does Peeta cause when they go hunting?
2. How does Foxface die?
3. What other ways might Peeta have been useful to Katniss during the hunt?
4. Was Katniss’s anger at Peeta for not whistling justified? Explain your answer.
5. What conclusions can you draw about Foxface’s behavior in eating the berries?
6. Explain Katniss’s statement “No, Peeta, she’s your kill not Cato’s.”
7. What does Foxface’s death now mean to Peeta and Katniss?

**Chapter 24**

1. Why does Katniss save some of the poison berries?
2. What is the significance of the stream drying up?
3. Why does Katniss decide they should eat most of their food and not save it?
4. While Peeta is sleeping, Katniss thinks about Cato. Why does she think she understands him? Explain your answer.
5. How does not knowing where Cato is or what has happened to him increase the tension of this chapter?
6. How is Cato’s behavior at the end of the chapter surprising?

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Part Three: Chapters Twenty-Five – Twenty-Seven

*Comprehension Check*

***Directions:*** *To help you understand all aspects of the novel, answer the following questions for Chapters Twenty-Five* – *Twenty-Seven. Write your answers on a separate piece of paper using complete sentences.*

**Chapter 25**

1. Describe the muttations.
2. Where do the tributes go to escape them?
3. Contrast Katniss and Peeta’s reactions to the change in rules. How does each of them react?
4. What do Katniss’s actions reveal about her?
5. How do Katniss and Peeta both manage to win the Games?
6. Do you agree with their decision to eat the berries at the same time? Why or why not?
7. Why do you think the Gamemakers believed Peeta and Katniss and didn’t think they were bluffing?

**Chapter 26**

1. How does Katniss react once she’s in the hovercraft?
2. What happens to Katniss while she’s in the hospital?

What is Cinna’s purpose in designing the outfit for Katniss that she’ll wear for the presentation of the victors?

1. Interpret the Capitol’s decision not to allow Katniss to see Peeta until they’re on the stage together. Why would they do that?
2. Explain what Katniss means at the end of the chapters when she thinks, “the most dangerous part of the Hunger Games is about to begin”?

**Chapter 27**

1. What happens at the presentation of the victors?
2. Why is Katniss worried that she is locked in her room?
3. At the interview, what does Katniss learn about Peeta’s leg?
4. On the train back to District 12, Katniss changes her clothes, washes her face, and braids her hair. What does she mean by, “I begin transforming back into myself. Katniss Everdeen” (370)?
5. Do you think she can go back to what life was like before the Games?
6. What decision do you think Katniss should make about Peeta?